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1. [REDACTED] air activities were as follows:*

- a. Antung: 8 Soviet Air Force (SAF) planes patrolled the area during an air raid alert between 6:30 and 7 a.m.
- b. Anshan: 15 SAF planes flew over the field.
- c. Liaoyang (123-12, 41-16): 43 SAF MIG-15's flew training missions.
- d. Mukden: 63 SAF planes flew missions.
- e. Hankow: between 7:57 a.m. and 4:17 p.m. a number of Chinese Communist troops made practice parachute jumps in the Hankow area from 3 IL-12's which made a total of 75 take-offs from Hankow Airfield.

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2. [REDACTED] air activities were as follows:*

- a. Antung: 24 SAF planes patrolled the area during an air raid alert between 3 and 4:03 p.m.; and 9 MIG-15's made test flights from the airfield.
- b. Anshan: 2 SAF YAK-17's**, 4 MIG-9's and two other planes flew training missions.
- c. K'aiyuan: 11 IL-10's of the Chinese Communist 15 Air Regiment flew training missions.
- d. The flight of 12 Chinese Communist Air Force IL-12's, scheduled to leave Peiping for Hsinching (103-49, 30-25) via Hankow, was canceled because of bad weather.

3. In March telecommunications installations were extended to air bases at Ch'uhsien (118-52, 28-57), Chienou (118-19, 27-04), Foochow, Ch'angt'ing (116-20, 25-45), and T'ungan (118-10, 24-44). Contact has been made with East China Air Force Headquarters at Nanking since 1 April.

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4. [REDACTED] the following radar stations had been established to observe Nationalist Air Force movements along the Kiangsu-Chekiang coast: Nanhui (121-46, 31-03), Haiyen (120-57, 30-32), Chenhai (121-42, 29-58), Ninghai (121-25, 29-18), and Tinghai (122-06, 30-03).

25X1X 5. [REDACTED] the Chinese Communists had completed a radio air defense network along the coast, and more observation posts had been established in Shantung and in the Choushan Islands.

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- a. Hankow: 22 IL-12's arrived from Peiping.
- b. Antung: 3 MIG-15's flew a "protective cover" mission over the area.
- c. Anshan: 16 MIG-9's and 2 YAK-17's** flew over the area led by a Soviet.
- d. Lukden: 22 MIG-15's led by a Soviet, 24 MIG-15's led by a Chinese, 8 MIG-9's, and 2 other planes flew training missions.
- e. Kungchuling (124-50, 43-32): 9 Chinese Communist Pao-tu-wa***, led by a Soviet, made practice flights in the area.
- f. Ssupingchiesh (124-22, 43-11): 24 TU-2's made training flights under the direction of Hsu-shih-t'ing (徐式廷) (? Sushytin).
- g. Kutientzu (126-21, 43-59): a group of aircraft made training flights.

25X1X 7. [REDACTED] 17 representatives from Tibet, one Soviet adviser, and 5 Chinese Communists from the Southwest Military Area Command were on plane [REDACTED] en route from Lanchow to Peiping. The total weight of the passengers and cargo was 4,225 pounds. This plane left Chungking and landed at Lanchow to pick up one member of the Southwest Military Area Command group.

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8. From early January to early April one battalion of Chinese Communist Army engineers and approximately 6,000 laborers were expanding Ch'enhsien (112-59, 25-18) Airfield.***** [REDACTED] only the engineer battalion remained at the field. Three new supply dumps and one underground gasoline dump had been completed, and a number of anti-aircraft guns had been emplaced around the field. [REDACTED] 80 tons of aviation supplies and 400 tons of gasoline arrived at the field from Hankow by train and were placed in the new dumps.

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*** [REDACTED] paragraph 4 and reference.

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25X1A **** [REDACTED] Comment. This plane is a C-46. 25X1A [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] and reference, for previously reported flights by this plane as of February.

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***** [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] reported that Ch'enhsien was to be a main training base for the CCAF.

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